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Letter dated 3 February 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

I have the honour to submit to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) concerning Iran the national report of Nigeria on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 1737 (2006), 1747 (2007), 1803 (2008) and 1929 (2010) (see annex).

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Report of the Federal Republic of Nigeria on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 1737 (2006), 1747 (2007), 1803 (2008) and 1929 (2010)

1. The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria is committed to the implementation of Security Council resolutions 1737 (2006), 1747 (2007), 1803 (2008) and 1929 (2010), as well as to rendering full cooperation to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006).

2. The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has taken steps to disseminate Security Council resolutions 1737 (2006), 1747 (2007), 1803 (2008) and 1929 (2010) to the relevant Government ministries and agencies to ensure compliance with the requirements of the resolutions.

3. Pursuant to the above-mentioned resolutions, the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria submits the following information on measures taken to implement the resolutions:

(i) The relevant financial sector regulators and operators in Nigeria have established measures to implement the freezing of assets of designated persons in accordance with the Penal Code, the Criminal Code, the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission Act and other relevant laws. These measures are already being implemented in fulfilment of the aforementioned resolutions;

(ii) The relevant law enforcement agencies and security and intelligence services are required to maintain a database of persons designated by the Committee pursuant to the above-mentioned resolutions. The Nigeria Immigration Service is committed to implementing the travel ban and other relevant measures stated in the resolutions. The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria ensures strict control with regard to the entry or transit of the designated individuals;

(iii) The Nigeria Customs Service and relevant border control authorities responsible for the inspection of cargo are fully informed of sanction measures under the above-mentioned resolutions. The institutions continue to implement measures in consonance with domestic regulations on cargo inspection to inspect vessels and aircraft and, where necessary, seize and dispose of prohibited items if there are reasonable grounds to believe that items prohibited under the aforementioned resolutions are being transferred;

(iv) The relevant financial sector regulators and operators in Nigeria are fully informed of the need to prohibit joint ventures or maintaining a correspondent relationship with Iranian financial institutions or a business relationship if there is reasonable ground to believe that such financial services or relationship could contribute to Iran's proliferation-sensitive nuclear activities or the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems;

(v) On 26 October 2010, the relevant authorities of the Federal Republic of Nigeria inspected and discovered, at the Apapa Wharf, Lagos, Nigeria,

13 containers of cargo originating from Iran which were suspected of containing materials prohibited under Security Council resolution 1747 (2007). The 13 containers, confirmed to contain ammunitions, have been seized pending conclusion of investigations on the matter. The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has submitted a written report on the incident to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) and also invited the Panel of Experts on Iran established pursuant to Council resolution 1929 (2010) to visit the country and inspect the ammunitions. The matter is currently before a court in Abuja;

(vi) The Panel of Experts on Iran has visited the country and carried out an inspection of the containers.

4. The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria wishes to reiterate its support for a peaceful and diplomatic settlement of the situation regarding the Iranian nuclear programme.